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SUBJECT: OFFICIAL INFORMAL

1. FOLLOWING IS THE RWANDA AND BURUNDI STIREP FOR AUGUST  
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SECURITY SITUATION

(C) ZAIRIAN PRIME MINISTER KENGO ANNOUNCED AT AN AUGUST  
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29 PRESS CONFERENCE THAT THE DECEMBER 31 DEADLINE COULD BE EXTENDED IF MONTHLY APPRAISALS OF THE REFUGEE SITUATION REVEAL ACCEPTABLE LEVELS OF VOLUNTARY REPATRIATION. THE ZAIRIANS ARE DENYING A VISA TO GARETT FOULDS, AN AMERICAN CITIZEN HIRED BY UNHCR HEAD UP THE ZAIRIAN CAMP SECURITY FORCE. UNHCR REPORTS THAT OF THE 13,000 RETURNED DURING THE REFOULEMENT, 12,600 ARE IN THEIR HOME COMMUNES AND 400 REMAIN IN CYANGUGU.

DIPLOMATIC/POLITICAL

(C) AMB. RAWSON MET WITH VICE PRESIDENT KAGAME AUGUST 30 AND RECEIVED ASSURANCES THAT THE NEW CABINET WILL PURSUE REPATRIATION, RECONCILIATION AND PRISON REFORM. SPECIAL COORDINATOR BOGOSIAN MET WITH NEWLY NAMED UN SPECIAL ENVOY JOSE LUIS JESUS AT THE UN TO DISCUSS A REGIONAL POLITICAL CONFERENCE.

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SECURITY: INTERNAL, BORDER,

(C) TWO CHILDREN WERE REPORTED KILLED AFTER BEING CAUGHT IN A CROSSFIRE BETWEEN THE ARMY AND UNIDENTIFIED GUNMEN IN GITEGA. THE MINISTER OF TRANSPORTATION, A HUTU, FLED TO NAIROBI AND ANNOUNCED HIS RESIGNATION. HE SAID THAT HE HAD SURVIVED TWO ASSASSINATION ATTEMPTS AND DID NOT KNOW IF HE COULD TAKE A THIRD. A TELEPHONE STRIKE CONTINUED INTO ITS THIRD DAY, WITH ALL INTERNATIONAL LINES DEAD.

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